

### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

For your application to be processed you must fulfill ALL of the following requirements:

**ABL-901C** (Rev. 10/23/14)

## **ABL-901 CHECKLIST**

	1.	Completed application, signed, dated and notarized.
	2.	Submit nonrefundable filing fees. LICENSE FEES SHOULD NOT BE SUBMITTED UNTIL LICENSE IS APPROVED.
	3.	Submit an Affidavit of Publication from the newspaper running your ad. The affidavit must include a copy of your ad. If you have just started your ad in the newspaper and have not received the ad and affidavit, you <b>must</b> include the receipt from the newspaper with your application. Forward the ad and affidavit from the newspaper as soon as the newspaper provides it to you. Your license/permit cannot be issued until this is received. Must have a current Ad, not more than 90 days old from last publication date.
		(See ABL 901 Instructions, page 3, for list of approved newspapers for your location.)
	4.	Must complete the ABL-946 "Consent and Waiver" form of the application.
	5.	Must attach a copy of Articles of Incorporation, if applying as a corporation.
	6.	Must attach a copy of Articles of Organization, and Operating Agreement, or LLC Supplemental Information Form (ABL-919 is located at <b>www.dor.sc.gov</b> ), if applying as a Limited Liability Corporation (LLC).
	7.	Must attach a copy of bylaws, if applying as a nonprofit private club.
	8.	All principals must attach a criminal records check (CRC), not more than 90 days old. If the principal has lived in SC for more than 2 years, obtain the CRC from SLED at <b>www.sled.state.sc.us</b> or SLED Headquarters, Criminal Records Department, 4400 Broad River Rd., P.O. Box 21398, Columbia, SC 29221. If the principal has lived in SC less than 2 years, obtain a statewide CRC from previous state of residency AND a CRC from SLED. If principal is not a SC resident, obtain a statewide CRC from current state of residency.
	9.	Must attach Certificate of Authority to do Business in SC from the South Carolina Secretary of State's Office, if applying as a foreign corporation.
	10.	Must attach a signed copy of your lease, deed or tax bill for the location for which you are seeking a license. The lease, deed, or tax bill must be in the applicant's name and list the physical address of the business location.
	11.	Must attach partnership agreement, if applying as a partnership or Limited Liability Partnership (LLP).
	12.	Attach completed Verification of Lawful Presence in the United States (ABL-920) for each applicant and principal. Each principal, officer, owner, member, and/or partner <b>MUST</b> sign this form. If applicable, include his/her non-citizen alien registration number and attach a copy of all appropriate immigration documents.
	13.	Must attach completed and notarized Purchase of Alcoholic Liquor Affidavit (ABL-957), if applying for a retail liquor store license.
	14.	Must have a Sales Tax Registration Number. Contact the License and Registration Section at (803) 896-1350.
If als	so a	applying for 120 days temporary permit or license, in addition to the above, attach:
	a.	\$25 for each temporary permit requested. If applying for a temporary liquor by the drink, or temporary retail liquor, an additional \$5.00 certification fee is required.
	b.	Must attach a copy of bill of sale, lease, probate document, divorce decree, eviction order, or document showing how the applicant acquired the business. The bill of sale or lease must be in the name of the applicant.
	C.	If applying as a sole proprietor, a current SLED criminal history background check is required on the applicant. If applying as a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or limited liability partnership, a current SLED criminal history background check is required on each principal. (see # 8 above)
	d.	Attach the original existing biennial permit/license from the existing business that has not expired, been suspended or revoked.
	e.	Must attach proof of Grade A DHEC certificate issued for this location, if applying for Restaurant Liquor by the Drink.
	f.	Have a Sales Tax Registration Number. Contact the License and Registration Section at (803) 896-1350.
	g.	If sole proprietor - Social Security Number; other than Sole Proprietor, a FEI number.

## STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

# APPLICATION FOR RETAIL BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR

**ABL-901** (Rev. 10/23/14) 4280

Mail to: SC Department of Revenue, ABL Section, Columbia, S	II IIE NUITIDEL.		
Telephone: (803) 898-5864 DOR Website: www.dor.sc.gg		_	
	Nonrefundable Filing		
	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00 biennially	
Off premises beer & wine	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00 biennially	
☐ Brewpub	\$ 300.00	\$ 2,200.00 biennially	
☐ 7-day off-premises beer & wine	\$ 300.00	\$ 2,200.00 biennially	
☐ Sunday/Sabbath beer & wine	\$ 300.00	\$ 650.00 biennially	
	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,700.00 biennially	
	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,700.00 biennially	
	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,400.00 biennially	
	<u>.</u>	\$ 250.00 biennially	
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	\$ -0-	\$ 25.00	
	\$ -0-	\$ 25.00	
	\$ -0-	\$ 25.00	
	\$ -0-	\$ 5.00	
*(Certification fee is required, in addition to filing fees, if you are to sell liquor by the drink or retail liquor. 61-6-120)	applying for a license at a	a location that is currently licensed	
PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE	E ALL INFORMATION		
1. OWNER, PARTNERSHIP, OR CORPORATE CHARTER NAME	5. TRADE NAME (DOIN	G BUSINESS AS)	
2. PHYSICAL LOCATION OF BUSINESS REQUIRED (NO P.O. BOX)			
STREET			
	6. BUSINESS PHONE N	IUMBER DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER	
CITY COUNTY (REQUIRED) STATE ZIP			
3. MAILING ADDRESS (FOR ALL CORRESPONDENCE)			
	7. SSN/FEIN	•	
IN CARE OF			
STREET	8. NATURE OF BUSINE	:ss	
CITY COUNTY STATE ZIP			
4. TYPE OF OWNERSHIP			
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SOLE PROPRIETOR (one owner) PARTNERSHIP (two or more owners)	9. WHAT IS YOUR RET	TAIL SALES TAX NUMBER?	
☐ LLC/LLP ☐ SC COPPORATION DATE INC			
	10. EMAIL ADDRESS		
FOREIGN CORPORATION	10. LIMAIL ADDICESS		
STATE INC DATE OF INC  NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION			
OTHER (EXPLAIN)			
If the corporation is publicly traded, you must designate an officer or other person to hold the license. This person must be of good moral character, over the age 21, and a SC resident. This person should be included on the Consent and Waiver along with other principals of the corporation.	11. IS BUSINESS WITHI	N SC MUNICIPAL LIMITS?	
the age 21, and a SC resident. This person should be included on the	I YES □ NO IF	YES, WHICH CITY?	
Consent and Waiver along with other principals of the corporation.			
Name of designated officer or other employee:			
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	11. HAS THIS LOCATION BEEN PREVIOUSLY LICENSED TO SELL BEER, WINE AND/OR ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS?  IF YES PRINT NAME OF BUSINESS AND BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSE PERMIT NUMBER.
	A. PREVIOUS OPERATORS LICENSE NUMBER:  B. NAME OF BUSINESS:
	(Full organization name including trade name)
	DESIGNATED AGENT
A.	You must <b>designate a person to receive all notices</b> from the Department of Revenue concerning your permit/license. These notices will be sent to the person at the <b>mailing address shown in question 3</b> . It is your responsibility to keep the department advised of any change regarding this person or your mailing address as the law will presume you received all notices sent to the address you have given us.
	Name of Designated Agent:
	CONTACT PERSON
B.	The S.C. State Law Enforcement Division will conduct an investigation on this application, and will need to meet with the contact person at the location for which you are seeking a permit or license, to discuss the business and ownership of the business. Give the name and telephone numbers (daytime and evening) of the contact person who can meet with the SLED agent for this purpose.
	Name of Contact Person
	Telephone Number (daytime)
	Telephone Number (evening)
	If the agent is unable to contact the Contact Person or if the Contact Person cannot discuss the ownership of the business, your application will be delayed.
pr	ocessing of this application may take six to eight weeks, or more. If the application is denied by the Department or otested by a member of the public or law enforcement, it could take up to six months or more for a hearing to be held and a cision made on the application by the Administrative Law Court.
he tha re	applying for an off-premises beer and wine permit, wholesale beer and wine permit, or 7-day beer and wine permit, I do reby stipulate that I will not permit the on-premise consumption of beer and wine on the licensed premises. I understand at a violation of this stipulation will be a violation against the permit and shall constitute sufficient grounds to suspend or voke the beer and wine permit. Nothing herein shall be construed so as to prevent or prohibit "Tastings" in accordance th and as specifically permitted by S.C. Code Ann. Section 61-4-960.
ре	inderstand that a misstatement or concealment of fact in an application is sufficient grounds for the revocation of the license or rmit. I consent to the inspection of the premises covered by this license or permit by any agent of the SC Department of Revenue or y law enforcement officer.
	ave read the instructions to this application and to the best of my knowledge, all information provided with this application is true and curate.
SV	VORN to and subscribed before me this
	day of, year of
	otary Public for Applicant (owner, partner, or corporate officer)
-	Commission Expires:
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No	otary (printed name)

#### Social Security Privacy Act Disclosure

It is mandatory that you provide your social security number on this tax form. 42 U.S.C 405(c)(2)(C)(i) permits a state to use an individual's social security number as means of identification in administration of any tax. SC Regulation 117-201 mandates that any person required to make a return to the SC Department of Revenue shall provide identifying numbers, as prescribed, for securing proper identification. Your social security number is used for identification purposes.







#### STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA **DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE** APPLICANT AND PRINCIPAL CONSENT AND WAIVER

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SC Code Ann. Section 61-2-160 prohibits the issuance of any permit or license under Title 61 unless the South Carolina Department of Revenue determines that the applicant does not owe the State of South Carolina any delinquent taxes, penalties, or interest. If an application is made for a license or permit by a person other than an individual, all principals of such applicant are deemed to be the applicant. S.C. Code Ann. Section 61-2-100(C).

For purposes of processing this application or any renewals of permits or licenses issued under Title 61, the undersigned applicant or principal authorizes the Department of Revenue to release to any party, person or entity, information concerning the applicant's or principal's South Carolina taxes. The information that may be released includes, but is not limited to, information relating to delinquent taxes, penalties and interest, outstanding liabilities, or information concerning failure to file returns. For purposes of processing this application and any renewals, the applicant or principal waives the provisions of Sections 12-54-240 and 30-2-10, et seq.

Further, the applicant or principal authorizes S.C. Law Enforcement Division (SLED) to check, examine and release to the Department of Revenue the criminal history record of the applicant or principal and further authorizes the Department of Revenue to share that information with other principals or applicants for purposes of processing the application or any renewal.

This Consent and Waiver shall be effective as of the date set forth below and shall remain in effect until revoked in writing by the applicant or a principal signing this Consent and Waiver or until the applicable permit or license is terminated or revoked. Notwithstanding any other provisions, the Department of Revenue can require a new Consent and Waiver any time it deems necessary.

#### SOCIAL SECURITY DISCLOSURE

In compliance with the Federal Privacy Act of 1974, the disclosure of an individual's social security number on this form is mandatory. SC regulation 117-201 provides that any person required to make a return, statement or document to the Department must include identifying numbers on such return, statement or document if the Department requests such information. Social security numbers are primarily used for the purposes of identifying taxpayers and monitoring tax compliance and/or fraud.

1 - 12 is a list of principal types. Each principal type must complete and sign a box below.

#### **Principal Types:**

- 1. The owner (if sole proprietorship);
- 2. All officers of the business or entity which owns the business;
- 3. All partners (limited partners that cannot exercise management control need not sign);
- 4. All persons who own twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the value of the business entity;
- 5. All persons who own twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the combined voting power of the business or entity;
- 6. A manager of a limited liability company which is managed by managers;
- 7. A member of the limited liability company which is not managed by managers;
- 8. Any fiduciary who manages, controls title, or is otherwise in control of the business;
- 9. All employees who will have day-to-day operational management responsibility for the business or entity; and,
- 10. If a publicly traded corporation, the designated license holder (designated agent) (must be over 21 and a resident of S.C.).
- 11. All other principals must be listed also. If not a publicly traded corporation, list all stockholders.
- 12. If a nonprofit organization, list all officers and directors of the organization.

\* CONTINUED ON THE NEXT PAGE. ALL PAGES MUST BE INCLUDED TO BE VALID.\* \*\*ALL PRINCIPALS MUST SIGN IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY\*\* \*\*\*IF A REQUIRED PRINCIPAL DOES NOT SIGN, THIS APPLICATION WILL BE DENIED\*\*\*

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			File	
Name of Sole Proprietorship, Corporation, Partne	ership, LLC	, etc. FEI/SSN	Number:	
N.				
Name				
Home Address				
City	State	Zip _		
Yr/Mo/Date of SC Residency		Date of Birth		
Social Security No.		_ Federal Employer Identification	on No	
Principal/Type: (use above #1-12)		Percent of ownership		
Have you as an individual, or as an organization state any license to sell beer, wine, or alcoholic li Yes No If yes, attach explanation yes No If yes, attach explanation yes No If yes, attach explanation with the properties of the properties	quors? <b>anation</b> . rolina or a		ked or suspended in this state or any other	
SWORN to and subscribed before me this day of, year of  Notary Public for  My Commission Expires:  Notary (L.S.)  Notary (printed name)		This Consent and Waiver shall be effective as of the date set forth on the attached pages until revoked in writing by the ABL-946R completed by the applicant or a principal signing this Consent and Waiver, or until the applicable permit or license is terminated or revoked.		
		ıax	payer's Signature	
Name				
Home Address				
City	State	Zip _		
Yr/Mo/Date of SC Residency		Date of Birth		
Social Security No.		_ Federal Employer Identification	on No.	
Principal/Type: (use above #1-12)		Percent of ownership		
Have you as an individual, or as an organization state any license to sell beer, wine, or alcoholic li Yes No If yes, attach explanation	quors?	n you were a principal, had revol	ked or suspended in this state or any other	
Have you been convicted of a crime in South Cal Yes No If yes, attach expl		any other state?		
SWORN to and subscribed before me this day of, year of  Notary Public for  My Commission Expires:  Notary (L.S.)		set forth on the attache the ABL-946R complete	ver shall be effective as of the date ed pages until revoked in writing by ted by the applicant or a principal and Waiver, or until the applicable minated or revoked.	
Notary (printed name)				
•		Tax	payer's Signature	



# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE VERIFICATION OF LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES -- APPLICANT AND PRINCIPALS

**ABL-920**(Rev. 5/13/13

(Rev. 5/13/13) 4382

STATE OF	) [	FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY			
COUNTY OF	)	Case Verification NumberResult			
Pursuant to the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. Reform Act and Title 61 of South Carolina Code following information:	Section 8-29- Ann. Sections	10, et seq. of the South Carolina Illegal Immigr s, every principal that is an individual must submi	ation It the		
The undersigned		of(Home Address)			
(Print clearly First, Middle and Last	name)	(Home Address)			
(City, State and Zip Code)	being first duly	sworn deposes and states as follows:			
Name Change/ Alias: ☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, please	list:			
Check ONLY One Box: See reverse side for In	structions, Def	nitions, and Accepted Documents.			
☐ I am a <b>United States Citizen</b> eighteen	years of age or	· older.			
☐ I am a <b>Legal Permanent Resident</b> eigl					
☐ I am a <b>Qualified Alien</b> under the Feder of age or older, and lawfully present in t	al Immigration he United State	and Nationality Act, Public Law 82-44, eighteen yes.	ears		
☐ I am a Foreign Citizen, and resident of	f	Country of Residency)			
and reside at(Street Address					
Other (Explain):					
Date of Birth		egistration Number			
(MUST ATTACH COPY OF IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS  I UNDERSTAND AND ACKNOWLEDGE that any person who fails to execute this Affidavit will automatically be denied the licen					
to which it applies; and further, that the representation issued; and further, that I shall have an affirmative dimmigration or citizenship status. I, hereby, also under false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representate entitled <i>Verification of Lawful Presence</i> shall in addition felony and upon conviction must be fined and/or imprised upon the conviction for the conviction fraction and the conviction for the convictio	ons made in this luty to immediate erstand and acking in an affidavion to other sancting soned for not moment as to be subject to the moment is subject to the	s Affidavit shall apply throughout any license(s) or renely advise the Department of Revenue in any change nowledge that a person who knowingly and willfully mattexecuted pursuant to South Carolina Code Section 8 ons imposed by this state or the United States, be guilt	ewal of makes 29-1 ty of		
is true, correct and complete.					
Signature of Affiant	_  REQUIRI	ED: Fill out completely.			
SWORN to and subscribed before me this	License N	Number:			
day of, year of	-	News			
Notary Public for	- Business	Name:			
My Commission Expires:		Person:			
Notary (L.S.)	_	(Name)			
Notary (printed name)	I Contact F	Person Phone Number: ()			

#### Check box 1 -

If you are a **US Citizen** by birth or naturalization.

#### Check box 2 -

If you are a **legal permanent resident** and you are not a US citizen, but are residing in the US under legally recognized and lawfully recorded permanent residence as an immigrant.

PROVIDE A COPY OF ALL IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS.

#### Check box 3 -

If you are a qualified alien. You are a qualified alien if you are:

- · an alien who is lawfully admitted for permanent residence under the INA;
- an alien who is granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA;
- a refugee who is admitted to the United States under Section 207 of the INA;
- an alien who is paroled into the United States under Section 212(d)(5) of the INA for a period of at least 1 year;
- an alien whose deportation is being withheld under Section 243(h) of the INA (as in effect prior to April 1, 1997) or whose removal has been withheld under Section 241(b)(3);
- an alien who is granted conditional entry pursuant to Section 203(a)(7) of the INA as in effect prior to April 1, 1980;
- an alien who is a Cuban/Haitian Entrant as defined by Section 501(e) of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980;
- an alien who has been battered or subjected to extreme cruelty, or whose child or parent has been battered or subject to extreme cruelty.

PROVIDE A COPY OF ALL IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS.

#### Check box 4 -

If you are a non immigrant and you are an alien who seeks temporary entry to the US for a specific purpose. The alien must have a permanent residence abroad (for most classes of admission) and qualify for the nonimmigrant classification sought. The nonimmigrant classifications include: foreign government officials, visitors for business and for pleasure, aliens in transit through the US, treaty traders and investors, students, international representatives, temporary workers and trainees, representatives of foreign information media, exchange visitors, fiancé(e)s of US citizens, intracompany transferees, NATO officials, religious workers, and some others. Most nonimmigrant can be accompanied or joined by spouses and unmarried minors (or dependent) children. **PROVIDE A COPY OF ALL IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS.** 

#### **Accepted Immigration documents:**

Unexpired Foreign passport with I-551 stamp or attached INS Form I-94 indicating unexpired employment authorization

Alien Registration Receipt Card with photograph (INS Form I-151 or I-551)

Unexpired Temporary Resident Card (INS Form I-688)

Unexpired Employment Authorization Card (INS Form I-688)

Unexpired Reentry Permit (INS Form I-327)

Unexpired Refugee Travel Document (INS Form I-571)

Unexpired Employment Authorization Document issued by the INS which contains a photograph (INS Form I-688B)

#### State of South Carolina Department of Revenue

**PURCHASE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AFFIDAVIT** 

**ABL-95** 

(Rev. 9/3/14)

4570

Alcohol Beverage Licensing File	e #:
ENTITY NAME	
ı	, upon being first duly sworn, upon penalty of perjury, do hereby
_	all alcoholic liquors at the above mentioned location have been or will be buth Carolina Wholesaler, persuant to 61-6-195.
purchaseu from a licenseu 30	outil Carollila Wholesaler, persuant to 01-0-135.
SWORN to and subscribed before	e me this
day of , year	r of Taynayar's Signature (LS)
	Taypayor's Signature (L.S.)
day of , year	Taxpayer's Signature (L,S)
day of , year	Taxpayer's Signature (L,S)
day of , year  Notary Public for  My Commission Expires:	Taxpayer's Signature (L,S)

For the purposes of this affidavit please refer to the following Codes and Regulations:

61-6-195 Retail Dealer must certify purchases from wholesaler.

The department must not issue or renew a retail dealer's license until the applicant has not purchased and will not purchase alcoholic liquors from another person who does not hold a wholesaler's license.

61-2-20(12) Definitions.

As used in the ABC Act, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

(12) 'Wholesaler' means a person who purchases, acquires, or imports from outside this state or who purchases or acquires from a manufacturer in the state alcoholic liquors for resale.

7-300.2 Purchases by Retail Dealer from Licensed Wholesaler Only; Purchases for Exclusive Use Prohibited. No retail liquor dealer shall be permitted to purchase any alcoholic liquors except from a licensed wholesale dealer in this State. The purchase, or negotiation for purchase, of alcoholic liquors from without the State by a retail dealer is strictly forbidden. No wholesale liquor dealer shall be permitted to purchase alcoholic liquors for the exclusive use of any retailer.



# STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE GENERAL INFORMATION FOR BEER, WINE, AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR APPLICATIONS

ABL-901 Instructions (Rev. 10/23/14)

Rev. 10/23/14) 4386

#### **LEGAL DISCLAIMER**

The information provided here is for general guidance only. It should not be considered as, or substituted for, legal advice. The department's staff is not permitted to give legal advice. Please read the laws, regulations, and applicable court decisions carefully before applying.

Processing of applications may take six to eight weeks, or more. If the application is denied by the department or protested by a member of the public or law enforcement, it could take up to six months or more for a hearing to be held and a decision made on the application by the Administrative Law Court.

This information in this form does not constitute all of the statutes and regulations established by law. See SC Code of Laws and Regulations at the Departments Website: http://www.dor.sc.gov

#### Mail application to:

SC Department of Revenue, ABL Section, Columbia, SC 29214-0907. Telephone (803) 898-5864, FAX (803) 896-0110, DOR Website: http://www.dor.sc.gov

#### Applicable laws:

Beer, wine and alcoholic liquors are governed by SC Code of Laws Title 61, Chapters 2, 4, and 6, Title 12 Chapters 21 and 33, Title 20 Chapter 7, and Title 33 Chapter 42. Regulations can be found in Chapter 7 of the Code of Regulations. The SC Code of Laws and Regulations can be accessed over the web at <a href="http://www.dor.sc.gov">http://www.dor.sc.gov</a> or at your local public library.

#### **GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS**

#### A. Qualifications of applicants for all license types:

- 1. A Sole Proprietor must be 21 years of age, be of good moral character, be a legal resident of the United States and must be a legal resident of South Carolina for 30 days prior to submitting an application to this department.
- 2. The applicant must be the owner of the business seeking the license and must not previously have had a license revoked within the past five years.
- 3. All principals, officers, agents, and employees listed on the license must be over the age of 21 and be of good moral character. A current criminal history background check of not more than 90 days old, on each principal, officer, and employee must accompany this application.
- 4. You must obtain a sales tax retail license to conduct business and if charging admission you must obtain an admissions tax license. To obtain a retail license complete form SCDOR-111 or visit our website and register online at SCBOS and pay a \$50 license fee. An admissions tax license may be obtained by completing form L-514 which can also be found on our website. There is no charge for this license. If completing SCDOR-111 and/or L-514 you may attach it to this application with a separate check for the fee, or you may mail it to the address on the respective forms.
- 5. Please check with the city and/or county authorities to insure you are in compliance with zoning laws and local business license requirements.

#### B. Tax liabilities:

A license or permit cannot be issued if the applicant or any principal has any outstanding tax liabilities with the SC Department of Revenue.

#### C. Sign posting:

- 1. An agent of the S.C. State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) must post and remove a sign at the proposed place of business.
- 2. This sign must remain posted for at least fifteen days, and may be removed only by the SLED agent. If the sign disappears before the SLED Agent removes it, contact the S.C. Department of Revenue or SLED immediately. Permits/Licenses will not be issued until the afternoon of the fourth day after the sign is taken down by Agent; unless your published ad provides for a later date.

#### D. Newspaper advertisements:

- 1. A notice of application must be placed at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in a newspaper approved by the department for your area.
- 2. The notice must:
  - (a) be in the legal notices section of the newspaper or an equivalent section if the newspaper has no legal notices section;
  - (b) be in large type, covering a space of one column wide and at least two inches deep; and
  - (c) state the type of license applied for and the exact location of the proposed business. (An applicant applying for both a beer/wine permit and also an alcoholic liquor license may use the same advertisement for both if the department approves the advertisement.)
- 3. Your application may not be filed until you have furnished a receipt from the approved newspaper indicating that you have paid for the Notice of Application.
- 4. To complete your application, you must:
  - (a) submit your Affidavit of Publication and a copy of the ad furnished to you by the newspaper office.

SAMPLE ADVERTISEMENT	NOTICE OF APPLICATION		
Notice is hereby given that(name of ind	ividual, partnership or corporation)	intends to apply to t	the South Carolina
Department of Revenue for a license/p		premises	s consumption o
(Beer, Wine and/or liquor) (as applicable)	(exact street address, including su	ite or unit number, city,	state and zip)
To object to the issuance of this	permit/license, written protest mu	st be postmarked	l no later thar
(16 days from the date of the publication of the fi	rst advertisement)		
For a protect to be valid it must be in writing	a and about dindude the following infor	mation:	

For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following information:

- (1) the name, address and telephone number of the person filing the protest;
- (2) the specific reasons why the application should be denied;
- (3) that the person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant);
- (4) that the person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and,
- (5) the name of the applicant and the address of the premises to be licensed.

Protests must be mailed to: S.C. Department of Revenue, ABL SECTION, P.O. Box 125, Columbia, SC 29214-0907; or faxed to: (803) 896-0110.

#### E. Finding the correct newspaper to publish your advertisement:

- 1. Refer to page 3 and find the county in which your business is located.
- 2. If your business is NOT located in the city or municipal limits, or if you do not find the city or municipality in which your business is located, use one of the newspapers that is approved for the county in which the business is located. County approved newspapers are the first newspapers listed under the county's name.
- 3. If your business is within the city or municipal limits and that city is listed on page 3, place your advertisement in a newspaper listed below that city or municipality.

If you are not sure, please call this office at (803) 898-5864 before advertising.

Orangeburg County
Times & Democrat
HOLLY HILL
Holly Hill Observer
NORTH
North Trade Journal
SANTEE
Santee Striper

If your business is located in Elloree, a municipality of Orangeburg County that is **not** listed under **Orangeburg County**, you would publish your advertisement in the *Times & Democrat*.

If your business is located within the city limits of Santee, a municipality that **is** listed under **Orangeburg County**, you would publish your advertisement in the *Santee Striper*.

- Abbeville County Press & Banner
- Aiken County
   Aiken Standard
   The State
   NORTH AUGUSTA
   The Star
- Allendale County People-Sentinel
- Anderson County Independent Mail BELTON News Chronicle HONEA PATH News Chronicle PELZER The Journal PIEDMONT The Journal WILLIAMSTON The Journal
- Bamberg County Advertizer-Herald
- Barnwell County People-Sentinel
- Beaufort County Beaufort Gazette Bluffton Today Hilton Head News Island Packet
- Berkeley County
   Berkeley Independent
   Post & Courier
   GOOSE CREEK
   Goose Creek Gazette
   HANAHAN
   Hanahan News
   NORTH CHARLESTON
   North Charleston News
   SUMMERVILLE
   Summerville Journal-Scene
- Calhoun County Calhoun Times
- Charleston County
   Post & Courier
   NORTH CHARLESTON
   North Charleston News
   SUMMERVILLE
   Summerville Journal-Scene
- Cherokee County Gaffney Ledger Spartanburg Herald GAFFNEY Cherokee Chronicle Gaffney Ledger BLACKSBURG Blacksburg Times Gaffney Ledger
- Chester County News & Reporter
- Chesterfield County Cheraw Chronicle
   The Link
   CHERAW
   The Link

JEFFERSON
Progressive Journal
MT. CROGHAN
Progressive Journal
PAGELAND
Progressive Journal

- Clarendon County Manning Times The Item (Sumter) Clarendon Citizen
- Colleton County Press & Standard Post and Courier The Colletonian
- Darlington County News & Press HARTSVILLE Hartsville Messenger
- Dillon County The Dillon Herald
- Dorchester County
   Post & Courier
   ST GEORGE
   Eagle-Record
   SUMMERVILLE
   Summerville Journal-Scene
- Edgefield County Citizen News Edgefield Advertiser
- Fairfield County Herald-Independent The State
- Florence County
   Morning News
   News Journal
   LAKE CITY
   Lake City News & Post
- Georgetown County Georgetown Times PAWLEYS ISLAND Coastal Observer
- Greenville County Greenville News Greenville Journal GREER Greer Citizen PIEDMONT The Journal SIMPSONVILLE Tribune Times TRAVELERS REST Travelers Rest Monitor
- Greenwood County Index Journal NINETY SIX Star & Beacon WARE SHOALS Observer
- Hampton County Hampton Guardian
- Horry County
   Sun News
   CONWAY
   The Horry Independent

GARDEN CITY
Myrtle Beach Herald
LORIS
Loris Scene
MYRTLE BEACH
Myrtle Beach Herald
NORTH MYRTLE BEACH
North Myrtle Beach Times

- Jasper County Jasper County Sun
- Kershaw County Chronicle Independent The State
- Lancaster County Lancaster News KERSHAW Kershaw News-Era
- Laurens County
   The Advertizer
   The Clinton Chronicle
- Lee County
   Lee County Observer
- Lexington County
   The State
   BATESBURG-LEESVILLE
   Twin City News
   CHAPIN
   Chapin Times
   Lake Murray News
   IRMO
   New Irmo News
   LEXINGTON
   Chronicle and Dispatch News
   PROSPERITY
   Chapin Times
   ST ANDREWS
   New Irmo News
- McCormick County
   McCormick Messenger
- Marion County Marion Star/Mullins Enterprise
- Marlboro County Marlboro Herald
- Newberry County Newberry Observer
- Oconee County
   The Journal
   WALHALLA
   Keowee Courier
   WESTMINSTER
   Westminster News
- Orangeburg County Times & Democrat HOLLY HILL
   Holly Hill Observer NORTH
   North Trade Journal

SANTEE Santee Striper

- Pickens County Pickens Sentinel Greenville News CLEMSON The Journal EASLEY
   Easley Progress LIBERTY
   Easley Progress
- Richland County
   The State
   Columbia Star Reporter
   BLYTHEWOOD
   The Country Chronicle
   IRMO
   New Irmo News
- Saluda County Standard-Sentinel
- Spartanburg County Herald-Journal BLACKSBURG Blacksburg Times **BOILING SPRINGS Boiling Springs Sentry CHESNEE** Chesnee Tribune **COWPENS** Cowpens-Pacelot Tribune **DUNCAN** The Middle Tyger Times **GREER** Greer Citizen INMAN The Inman Times **LANDRUM** New Leader LYMAN The Middle Tyger Times MOORE The Middle Tyger Times WELLFORD The Middle Tyger Times WOODRUFF Woodruff News
- Sumter County The Item
- Union County Union Daily Times
- Williamsburg County The News HEMINGWAY
   The Weekly Observer
- York County
   Herald
   CLOVER
   Clover Herald
   Yorkville Enquirer
   FORT MILL
   Fort Mill Times
   YORK
   Clover Herald
   Yorkville Enquirer

#### PERMITS AND LICENSE TYPES

#### F. Explanation of types of license and/or permit:

#### 1. Off-premises beer and wine permit:

Authorizes the sale of beer and wine "to go" only.

#### 2. On-premises beer and wine permit:

Authorizes the sale of beer and wine "to go" and also authorize consumption on the licensed premises.

#### 3. 7-day beer and wine permit:

Authorizes the sale of beer "to go" only, 7 days a week, with no restrictions on hours of sale and only issued in counties or municipalities that have passed a referendum allowing Sunday sale of beer.

#### 4. Brewpub permit:

Authorizes the sale of beer and wine, the manufacture of beer, and the consumption of these products on the permitted premises.

#### 5. Sunday/Sabbath beer and wine permit:

Authorizes the sale and consumption of beer and wine on Sunday if you close your business on Saturday for religious purposes. These permits are only issued in counties or municipalities that have passed a referendum allowing Sunday sale of beer.

#### 6. Business liquor by the drink license:

Authorizes the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquors on the licensed premises. These licenses are issued to **Restaurants** and **Hotels/ Motels ONLY.** 

#### 7. Nonprofit private club liquor by the drink license:

Authorizes the sale and consumption of alcoholic liquors on the licensed premises. These licenses are issued **ONLY** to nonprofit organizations chartered by SC Secretary of State Office. These locations may not be open to the general public.

#### 8. Retail liquor license:

Authorizes the sale of liquor "to go" only. These licenses are issued to retail locations for the sale of alcoholic liquors and/or wines containing up to 21% alcohol by volume.

#### 9. Alcoholic liquors cooking license:

Authorizes the holder to use alcoholic liquors for cooking purposes only.

#### 10. 120 day temporary nonprofit or business (restaurant/hotel/motel) liquor by the drink license:

Authorizes a person who purchases or otherwise acquires a retail business which is licensed to sell liquor by the drink **at the business**, upon initiating the application process, may be issued a temporary Liquor by the Drink license.

#### 11. 120 day temporary retail liquor license:

Authorizes a person who purchases or otherwise acquires a retail business, which is licensed to sell retail liquor at the business, upon initiating the application process, may be issued a temporary liquor license.

#### 12. Local Option Permit:

Only available to food establishments and places of lodging that have a liquor by the drink license. Permits are only available in those counties and municipalities where a majority of the qualified electors have approved them in a referendum vote.

#### **BEER AND WINE PERMITS**

#### G. On or off-premises beer and wine permit requirements:

- 1. On or off-premises beer and wine three tier rule: No person, partner or member may have any financial interest of any kind in any other tier of the beer, wine, or alcoholic beverage industry. For example, the applicant, partnership or L.L.P. seeking a retail beer and wine permit must not have a financial interest of any kind in a beer and wine wholesale business or a brewery.
- On-premises permits require the location to have functioning restrooms available for use by customers.

#### H. Special seven day permit requirements:

- 1. In counties and municipalities where the public has approved by referendum, retailers may apply for a special permit that allows for the sale of beer and wine seven days a week, 24 hours a day for off premises consumption.
- 2. The cost of this biennial permit is \$2200.00.
- 3. Currently, these permits are available for businesses located in the following counties: Beaufort, Charleston, Dorchester, Georgetown, Horry and the unincorporated areas of Richland County. They are also available for businesses located in the municipalities of Aiken, Bluffton, Blythewood, Columbia, Daniel Island, Edisto Beach, Florence, Goose Creek, Greenville, Hanahan, Hilton Head Island, Mauldin, North Charleston, Port Royal, Summerville, Tega Cay and Yemassee.

#### I. Brewpub permit requirements:

- 1. Must be a tavern, public house, restaurant, or hotel that produces on the permitted premises a maximum of two thousand barrels a year of beer for sale on the premises (see Code Section 61-4-1740 for restrictions).
- 2. Must meet Department of Health and Environmental Control rules for eating/drinking establishments (see Code Section 61-4-1750).
- 3. Once registered you will be liable for S.C. beer excise tax on all beer produced. DOR will mail you a monthly excise tax return (L-600) to remit your payment. For more info on this tax please call 803-896-1970.

#### J. Sunday/Sabbath Beer and Wine Permit:

This permit authorizes the sale and consumption of beer and wine on Sunday if you close your business on Saturday for religious purposes. These permits are issued in counties or municipalities that have passed a referendum allowing Sunday sale of beer. If you operate on Saturdays while holding this permit, the Department will revoke your permit to sell beer and wine (see Code Section 61-4-620).

#### LIQUOR LICENSES

## K. General Location Requirements for Business liquor by the drink, Nonprofit private club liquor by the drink, and Retail liquor store:

- 1. Your business must be at least 300 feet from a church, school or playground if the church, school, or playground is located in the city.
- 2. Your business must be at least 500 feet from a church, school, or playground if the church, school, or playground is located in the county.
- 3. These requirements do not apply if the establishment or location was established prior to November 7, 1962 or if you are acquiring a business that is currently licensed to sell alcohol. ABL regulation 7-303 establishes how this measurement is conducted.

#### L. Business restaurant liquor by the drink requirements:

- 1. Your business must be primarily engaged in the preparation and serving of meals.
- 2. Your business must have seating for at least 40 people simultaneously at tables for the service of meals each day it is open for business and available in all types of weather.
- 3. Your business must have a kitchen that is in a separate area of the business and that is used solely for the preparation and serving of solid foods that make up meals.
- 4. Your kitchen must have a working fixed grill, stove, or microwave oven.
- 5. You must have a functioning cold storage unit with a minimum of 21 cubic feet capacity.
- 6. You must have a menu or sign listing the meals offered at your place of business.
- 7. There must be adequate food on the premises of your business to serve 40 people a hot meal. (Prepackaged single portioned foods prepared off the premises will not count as adequate food.)
- 8. You must have (or plan to have by the time you open for business) hot meals during normal "mealtimes" which occur when your business plans to be open to the public.
- 9. The bar area used for storing and dispensing liquor by the drink must be lighted (or plan to be lighted by the time you open for business) so that customers have a clear view of all activities taking place in the bar area.
- 10. Your place of business must have a Grade A Restaurant License issued by the Health Department. Before your liquor by the drink license can be issued, you must furnish to the Department a copy of the inspection form given to you by the Health Department showing that the Grade A Restaurant License has been issued.
- 11. You must have functioning restrooms available for use by customers.
- 12. If you are selling liquor by the drink (from "big bottles" and/or you sell liquor by the drink in minibottles) you are required to remit the five percent liquor by the drink excise tax. Upon completion of the ABL registration process you will receive an information packet that includes the liquor by the drink return and procedures on remitting the liquor by the drink excise tax.

#### M. Business hotel/motel liquor by the drink requirements:

- 1. Your business must have at least 18 rooms to rent to the public as accommodations for lodging.
- 2. The bar area used for storing and dispensing liquor by the drink must be lighted (or plan to be lighted by the time you open for business) so that customers have a clear view of all activities taking place in the bar area.
- 3. Sales and consumption are restricted to the interior of the building and do not extend to the parking area even if food is served in these areas.

#### N. Nonprofit organizations (private clubs) liquor by the drink requirements:

- 1. The premises to be licensed must not be open to the general public and must have limited membership.
- 2. The premises to be licensed must be located in a place separate and distinct from the premises of any business establishment. (This means that the location must have a separate address, separate entrance, and cannot be connected by common doors or passageways with any other business premises.)
- 3. The club's by-laws must have a fixed method of electing persons on an individual basis to the membership in the organization.
- 4. The method of electing members must bear some reasonable relationship to the object and purpose of your organization.
- 5. The club's by-laws must require that upon dissolution of the organization, its residual assets must not inure to the direct benefit of any member, but must be turned over to a nonprofit organization, which is organized and operated for charitable purposes.
- 6. Your organization's by-laws, charter, or constitution must require that it be operated solely and exclusively for social, benevolent, patriotic, recreational, or fraternal purposes. You must attach a copy of your club's by-laws, a certified copy of the organization's charter, articles of incorporation, or constitution.
- 7. The bar area used for storing and dispensing liquor by the drink must be lighted (or plan to be lighted by the time you open for business) so that members have a clear view of all activities taking place in the bar area.
- 8. You must have functioning restrooms available for use by members.
- 9. If you are selling liquor by the drink (from "big bottles" and/or you sell liquor by the drink in minibottles) you are required to remit the five percent liquor by the drink excise tax. Upon completion of the ABL registration process you will receive an information packet that includes the liquor by the drink return and procedures on remitting the liquor by the drink excise tax.

#### O. Retail liquor store:

- 1. No more than three retail dealer licenses may be issued to one licensee. No more than three retail dealer licenses may be issued for the use of one corporation, association, partnership, or limited partnership. A corporation having the use of a retail dealer license that is owned by another corporation is considered to be holding the retail dealer license for the use of the owning corporation. In addition no person, directly or indirectly, individually or as a member of a partnership or an association, as a member or stockholder of a corporation, or a relative to a person by blood or marriage within the second degree, may have any interest in more than three retail liquor stores licensed.
- 2. A retail dealer must maintain a separate store or place of business with not more than two means of public ingress or egress which must be on the front or the same side of the building, except that the doors may be located at the corner of two adjacent sides of the building. One additional door, not in the front, is allowed if used solely for the receipt of commercial deliveries or an emergency exit.
- 3. Non-alcoholic merchandise is prohibited except as described in code section 61-6-1540.

#### 120 DAY TEMPORARY LICENSES

#### P. 120 day temporary beer & wine permits:

- 1. The existing business must have a biennial permit/license that has not expired, been suspended or revoked.
- 2. A \$25 fee is required for each temporary permit requested.
- 3. Attach a copy of the bill of sale, lease, probate document, divorce decree, or eviction order, or document showing how the business was acquired.
- 4. Must attach the existing original permit/license.
- 5. Be sure to include your Sales Tax License Number on your ABL-901 application.

#### Q. 120 day temporary business (restaurant/hotel/motel) liquor by the drink license requirements:

- 1. The existing business must have a biennial permit/license that has not expired, been suspended or revoked.
- 2. A \$25 fee is required for each temporary permit requested, plus an additional \$5 Certification fee.
- 3. Must attach a copy of the bill of sale, lease, probate document, divorce decree, or eviction order, or document showing how the business was acquired.
- 4. Must attach the existing original permit/license.
- 5. Must attach a current Grade A health rating.
- 6. Be sure to include your Sales Tax License Number on your ABL-901 application.

#### R. 120 day temporary Nonprofit/private club liquor by the drink license requirements:

- 1. The existing business must have a biennial permit/license that has not expired, been suspended or revoked.
- 2. A \$25 fee is required for each temporary permit requested, plus an additional \$5 Certification fee.
- 3. Attach a copy of the bill of sale, lease, probate document, divorce decree, or eviction order, or document showing how the business was acquired.
- 4. Must attach the existing original permit/license.
- 5. Must submit a copy of organizational by-laws.
- 6. Be sure to include your Sales Tax License Number on your ABL-901 application.

#### S. 120 day temporary retail liquor license requirements:

- 1. The existing business must have a biennial permit/license that has not expired, been suspended or revoked.
- 2. A \$25 fee is required for each temporary permit requested, plus an additional \$5 Certification fee.
- 3. Attach a copy of the bill of sale, lease, probate document, divorce decree, or eviction order, or document showing how the business was acquired.
- 4. Must attach the existing original permit/license.
- 5. Be sure to include your Sales Tax License Number on your ABL-901 application.

#### T. Local Option Permits:

- 1. May only be issued to licensed liquor by the drink businesses, which qualify as a food service establishment or a place of lodging. See Code sections 61-6-20(2) & 61-6-20(4).
- 2. These businesses must be located in counties or municipalities where a majority of the voters have approved the sale of alcoholic liquors on Sundays by a referendum vote.
- 3. A twenty-four hour permit may be obtained for a fee of \$200. To apply for local option permits complete form ABL-29.
- 4. An annual fifty-two week permit may be obtained for a nonrefundable fee of \$3050. To apply for a fifty-two week permit complete form ABL-29A.
- 5. Pursuant to S.C Code section 61-6-2010, the optional 52 week permit must not extend beyond the expiration date of the biennial license issued. If the expiration date is less than 52 weeks from the date of the application for the annual permit, the department will prorate the \$3050.00 fee on a monthly basis.

#### **HOURS OF SALE**

#### U. Nonprofit Organizations (Private Clubs):

1. These locations may sell, and members and guests of members may consume, liquor on these premises between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. seven days a week. See Code Section 61-6-1610. For more information on private clubs, see SC Regulation 7-401.

#### V. Food Service Establishments and Places of Lodging

- 1. These locations may sell, and patrons may consume, liquor on these premises between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. the following morning, except between midnight Saturday night and midnight Sunday night.
- 2. Locations holding a business sale and consumption license: may sell and patrons may consume liquor during the following hours:

10:00am	Mon.	until	2:00am	Tues.	morning
10:00am	Tues.	until	2:00am	Wed.	morning
10:00am	Wed.	until	2:00am	Thurs.	morning
10:00am	Thurs.	until	2:00am	Fri.	morning
10:00am	Fri.	until	2:00am	Sat.	morning
10:00am	Sat.	until	12:00am	Sun.	morning
12:01am	Mon.	until	2:00am	Mon.	morning

#### W. Locations with a Local Option Permit:

- 1. These locations may sell and patrons may consume liquor on these premises between 10:00 am and 2:00 am the following morning.
- 2. Locations with a local option permit may sell and patrons may consume liquor during the following hours:

10:00am	Mon.	until	2:00am	Tues.	morning
10:00am	Tues.	until	2:00am	Wed.	morning
10:00am	Wed.	until	2:00am	Thurs.	morning
10:00am	Thurs.	until	2:00am	Fri.	morning
10:00am	Fri.	until	2:00am	Sat.	morning
10:00am	Sat.	until	2:00am	Sun.	morning
10:00am	Sun.	until	2:00am	Mon.	morning

### X. Locations Licensed for On-Premise Consumption of Beer or Wine

(NOTE: Cities and Counties may restrict hours of sales)

#### 1. Locations licensed to sell beer or wine ONLY for on-premise consumption:

These locations may sell, and patrons may consume, beer or wine on these premises at anytime except between midnight Saturday night and sunrise Monday morning. This allows such locations to sell (and patrons to consume) beer or wine at anytime after sunrise Monday morning until midnight Saturday night.

#### 2. Locations licensed to sell Beer/Wine AND licensed to sell liquor for on-premise consumption:

In addition to the hours that beer or wine may be sold in X(1), these locations may sell, and patrons may consume, beer or wine on these premises during the same hours the location is permitted to sell, and patrons are allowed to consume liquor.

#### Y. Retail: Locations licensed for off-premise consumption:

(NOTE: Cities and Counties may restrict hours of sales)

#### 1. Sale of beer and wine for off premise consumption:

Locations may sell beer and wine 24 hours a day, except between the hours of 12:00AM Saturday night and sunrise Monday morning.

#### 2. Seven day permit:

If you have a special seven day permit you may sell beer and wine 24 hours, 7 days a week. (These businesses must be located in counties and municipalities where a majority of the voters have approved the sale of alcoholic liquors on Sundays by referendum vote.)

#### Z. Application Process

- 1. Department of Revenue receives application.
- 2. Normal processing time of a non-protested application is six to eight weeks, or more.
- 3. Department of Revenue forwards application information to the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) for investigation.
- 4. A SLED agent will notify your contact person to set up an appointment.

#### WHAT YOU NEED FOR THE SLED APPOINTMENT/CONTACT

- 5. WHO MUST MEET WITH THE AGENT? The Contact Person, or person(s) who applied as a sole proprietorship or as a partnership, or one or more partners as a corporation, or someone with knowledge about the corporation, or as an officer of an organization, as a nonprofit organization.
- 6. Information and documentation to bring to the meeting:
  - (a) Proof, all partners, sole proprietors, corporate officers, non-profit organization officers and/or directors are 21 years of age;
  - (b) Proof, sole proprietor the designated agent of a corporation or non-profit organization is a legal resident of the U.S., have been a S.C. resident and have maintained your principle place of abode in S.C. for at least 30 days. A S.C. driver's license is adequate to prove residence. If you do not have a S.C. driver's license, you will need to bring other documentation);

- 7. If you have applied as a **corporation** and if the corporation is not publicly traded, this person should have with them documentation to show the officers of the corporation and the stockholders of the corporation. This information should include how many shares each stockholder owns. The corporate stock book will provide this information. If that book is not available, you can furnish a letter from the corporate attorney listing the officers, stockholders, and numbers of shares owned by each stockholder.
- 8. If you applied as a **nonprofit organization** you will need to have available for inspection the minutes of the meeting of the organization for the past year, and a list of the members of the organization showing the date they applied for membership, the acceptance date of membership, the date fees and dues were paid by each member, the amount paid, and the mailing address of each member.
- 9. Proof of ownership/acquisition of business: A copy of the bill of sale, lease, probate document, divorce decree, eviction order, or other documentation. The bill of sale or lease must be in the name of the applicant.
- 10. If you fail to bring the required documentation to the meeting with the SLED agent, it will delay your application, and you will be required to furnish this documentation to the Department of Revenue at its Columbia office before your license or permit can be issued.
- 11. After your meeting, the agent will post a sign at your place of business informing the public of your application. This sign must remain posted for at least fifteen days, and must be removed only by the SLED agent.
- 12. If we receive a protest to your application from a member of the public or from law enforcement, your permit or license cannot be issued until a public hearing is held before the Administrative Law Court. If a protest is received you will be informed and will be given additional information at that time.

#### AA. Protests

- 1. Any person residing in the county where a beer, wine or liquor by the drink license is being sought, or any person residing within five miles of the location, may protest the issuance of the license.
- 2. A protest will delay an application as a contested case hearing must be held before the Administrative Law Court (ALC). It may take two to six months or more for a hearing to be held from the time the file is transmitted to the ALC by the Department of Revenue.
- 3. Files cannot be transmitted to the ALC until the application file and the SLED investigation is complete and the **applicant** has requested a hearing. If a hearing is not requested by the applicant the license or permit is denied.
- 4. Once the Department has transmitted an application to the Administrative Law Court, a hearing will be scheduled.
- Once this has been done, all requests for information and all motions must be filed with the Administrative Law Court, 1205 Pendleton St., Ste 224, Columbia, SC 29211. The telephone number of the Administrative Law Court is (803) 734-0550.